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SUMMARY: CHANGING POSITION TAKEN DAY EARLIER WITH KHMER EMBASSY,
FONOFF (HANABUSA)

INDICATED COMPROMISE RESOLUTION ON KHMER CREDENTIALS WOULD
BE SATISFACTORY TO JAPANESE. POINTING TO MODERATENESS OF
PARAGRAPH ON KHMER IN SOVIET SPEECH IN UNGA AND CONVERSATION
AMB KURINO HAD WITH TASS CORRESPONDENT IN PHNOM PENH,
HANABUSA URGED LOBBYING WITH MOSCOW FOR VITAL VOTES.
END SUMMARY.

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AQM KHMER EMBASSY MIN-COUNS SUM MANIT RECOUNTED CONVERSATION
HE HAD WITH FONOFF FIRST SE ASIA DIV HANABUSA SEPT 25

ON KHMER CREDENTIALS IN UNGA.

HANABUSA MADE FOLLOWING POINTS: A) "DEFERRAL" PARA FOUR MUST BE LEFT OUT, B) WITHOUT PARA FOUR, HANABUSA EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT MAJORITY, INCLUDING PRC, WOULD SUPPORT RESOLUTION. (MANIT HAD DEFINITE IMPRESSION THAT JAPANESE HAD DISCUSSED WITH CHINESE), C) HANABUSA SAID THAT GOJ WAS NOT SUGGESTING THAT GKR VACATE SEAT BUT, IF NECESSARY, AND GKR DID VACATE THE KHMER SEAT, HE WAS CERTAIN THAT THE RESOLUTION (W/O PARA FOUR) WOULD PASS.

2. MANIT SAID HE ASKED HANABUSA IF GOJ WAS PLANNING TO APPROACH MOSCOW TO GAIN BLOC SUPPORT. ACCORDING TO MANIT, HANABUSA SAID MOSCOW WAS THE WRONG PLACE TO SEEK SUPPORT; IT WAS NECESSARY TO SEEK PEKING'S SUPPORT.

3. EMBOFF CALLED ON HANABUSA SEPT 27 FOR REGULAR DISCUSSION ON INDOCHINESE ISSUES. HANABUSA PRODUCED COPY OF UNGA RESOLUTION, NOTING THAT CONSIDERATION NOW BEING GIVEN TO COMPROMISE INCLUDING WITHIN A NEW PARA THREE FOLLOWING PHRASE, "AND DECIDES NOT TO TAKE ANY ACTION WHICH MAY PREJUDICE THOSE TALKS." (AS IN SUB-PARA THREE OF PARA FIVE REFTEL). HANABUSA SAID SUCH A FORMULATION WAS ACCEPTABLE TO JAPANESE.

3. HANABUSA STRESSED WITH US THAT MOSCOW WAS MOST PROFITABLE PLACE TO LOBBY FOR SUPPORT. HE CONTENDED THAT MOSCOW WAS LESS TIED TO SIHANOUK THAN PEKING AND WOULD BEST ADVANCE ITS INTERESTS IN INDOCHINA AND ELSEWHERE BY SUPPORTING COMPROMISE RATHER THAN BY SUPPORTING CONTINUED FIGHTING. HE NOTED THAT GROMYKO'S STATEMENT IN UNGA WAS MODERATE AND IN ESSENCE SUPPORTING SAME PRINCIPLES AS ARE EMBODIED IN AWG RESOLUTION (W/O PARA FOUR). HE STATED FLATLY THAT PEKING WOULD NOT SUPPORT ANY RESOLUTION OTHER THAN ITS OWN, ALTHOUGH GOJ WOULD, OF COURSE, APPROACH CHINESE.

4. TO FURTHER SUPPORT HIS POINT, HANABUSA PRODUCED A TELEGRAM HE HAD JUST RECEIVED FROM PHNOM PENH REPORTING A CONVERSATION
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AMB KURINO HAD WITH TASS CORRESPONDENT KOSHINSKI (PHONETIC) STATIONED IN PHNOM PENH. AMB KURINO HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED BY FONOFF TO BRING UP SUBJECT OF KHMER CREDENTIALS WITH KORSHINSKI AT FIRST OPPORTUNITY BUT KORSHINSKI CALLED ON KURINO AND BROUGHT UP SUBJECT HIMSELF. KORSHINSKI SAID HE WAS AWARE THAT INDONESIA WAS PROMOTING A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A FACT-FINDING MISSION. KORSHINSKI BERATED PROPOSAL AND STATED THAT WHAT WAS NEEDED WAS RESOLUTION CALLING FOR NEGOTIATIONS BY BOTH KHMER SIDES WITHOUT OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE. KORSHINSKI SAID MOSCOW COULD

SUPPORT SUCH A PROPOSAL.

5. HANABUSA MENTIONED MATTER OF GKR VACATING UNGA SEAT IN SAME TERMS HE HAD WITH MANIT, ADDING THAT FONOFF HAD NOT FORMALLY DISCUSSED MATTER.

6. COMMENT: ALTERATION IN GOJ POSITION ON RESOLUTION REPRESENTS CLEAR CHANGE IN JAPANESE POLICY RATHER THAN INCONSISTENCY ON HANABUSA'S PART. DIFFERENT STRESS IN CONVERSATIONS WITH KHMER AND WITH US ON WHETHER TO LOBBY IN PEKING OR MOSCOW MAY REFLECT A) GOJ BELIEF THAT US HAS MORE INFLUENCE IN MOSCOW AND B) GOJ DESIRE TO GIVE KHMER IMPRESSION THAT JAPAN IS INFLUENTIAL IN PEKING.
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